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REMARKS

Claims 2-8 are cancelled.

Claims 1 and 9-23 are pending in this application.

Claims 18-23 are withdrawn from consideration.

Claims 1- and 10-17 are rejected.

Claim 9 is objected to.

The office action dated 29 June 2009 indicates that claim 9 contains allowable

subject matter. Claim 1 has been amended to recite the subject matter of claim 9, now

cancelled. Therefore, claim 1 and its dependent claims 10-17 should be allowed.

Withdrawn claims 19-23 also depend from amended claim 1. Therefore, claims

19-23 should also be allowed.

Withdrawn claim 18 has been canceled.

These amendments should place the application in condition for allowance. The

examiner is strongly encouraged to contact the undersigned to discuss any issues that

might remain.

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